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DRIVE-AMS UPDATE

A great start to the drive-AMS in-country trainings

We are proud to share that the first two in-country courses have been a success! From 24 to 26 January, the Portuguese training took place, organised by Dr. José-Artur Paiva from Centro Hospitalar Universitário Sao Joao along with 14 faculty members. Dr. Emmanuel Roilides from the Aristotle University School of Medicine and his team hosted the Greek course from 22 to 24 February. Through a collaborative approach, a diverse group of participants in both trainings gained practical skills and renewed motivation to tackle challenges in antimicrobial stewardship, setting a promising precedent for future interventions in the respective hospitals in their countries!

[Read the course recap - Portugal](#)

[Read the course recap - Greece](#)



EXPERT INTERVIEWS



Country lead interview with Dr. Rolanda Valinteliene

Dr. Rolanda Valinteliene, Head of the Public Health Technology Centre at the Institute of Hygiene in Vilnius, shares her experiences and challenges in leading efforts against AMR in Lithuania. From coordinating national activities to providing crucial training, she discusses the importance of initiatives like drive-AMS and the journey towards fostering a community-driven approach to combat AMR effectively.

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Behavioural change: psychologist Ana Silva Reis explains

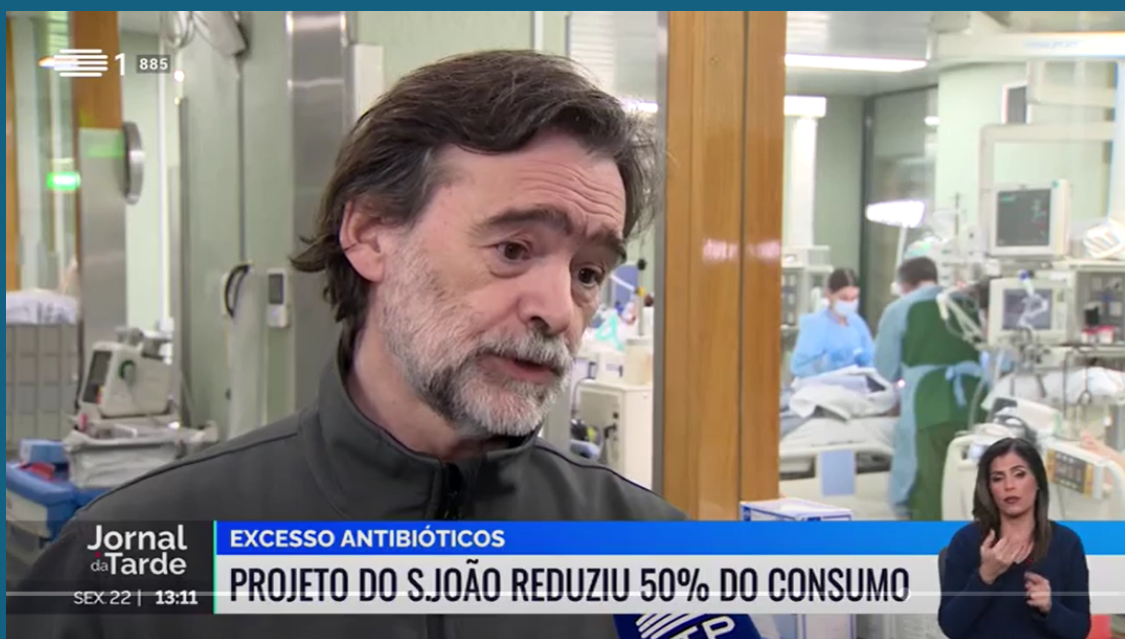
Meet Ana Reis, a clinical and health psychologist specialising in behavioural change and intensive care medicine. Currently working at Centro Hospitalar Universitário Sao Joao's psychology department, she brings her expertise to the forefront of the drive-AMS project in Portugal, joining efforts to enhance antimicrobial stewardship and implement behavioural change among healthcare professionals.

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drive-AMS featured in Portuguese news

The Portuguese drive-AMS team gained traction in their national news the past couple of months. Dr. José-Artur Paiva was [interviewed on Rádio e Televisão de Portugal](#) in regards to the rising number of resistant bacteria in Portugal. In addition, an article about the project was published in [the Jornal de Notícias](#).

Watch the video

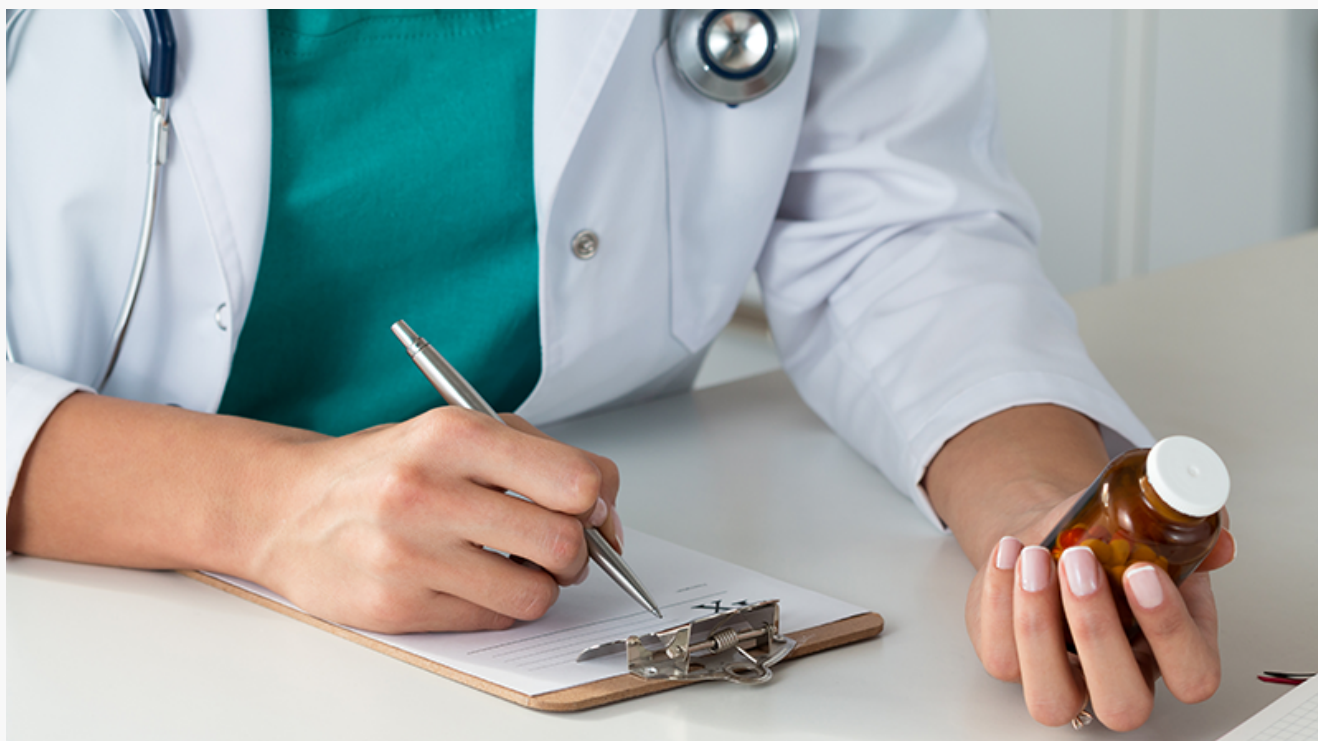


HOW DO YOU DO IT?

Combating Antimicrobial Resistance in Romania: a story from the field with Roxana Dobrota

In this interview, Dr. Roxana Dobrota provides insights into the daily responsibilities of a clinical pharmacist, their approach to antimicrobial stewardship, and the challenges faced in tackling AMR within the Romanian healthcare system. “There is a lack of awareness around antimicrobial stewardship and AMR in Romania. However, I’m really hopeful that this project will positively impact this as well as our prescription patterns” elaborates Roxana.

[Read the interview](#)



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